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Amendments to the claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of claims:

1. (Currently amended) A template for evaluating and scoring designated pairs of responses to a ~~series~~ related designated pair of questions, said template comprising means for identifying a series of paired locations thereon, each one of said paired locations corresponding to one of said designated pair of responses, a first set of said locations being linked by indicia on said template, a pathway leading from said first set of locations to at least a second set of locations, said pathway being shown by said indicia for leading a user from said first set to said second set of locations, each of said locations having means for allowing viewing through said template.

2. (Original) A template as defined in claim 1 wherein said indicia comprises a series of lines connecting the sets together.

3. (Original) A template as defined in claim 2 wherein said indicia is comprised of a series of alternating solid lines and broken lines.

4. (Original) A template as defined in claim 1 wherein each pair of locations is identified by a common geometric shape.

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5. (Original) A template as defined in claim 4 wherein each pair of locations is identified by an identical geometric shape, and the next consecutive pair in said series is identified by a different geometrical shape.

6. (Currently amended) A method for evaluating designated pairs of responses to ~~a series~~ related pairs of questions, said method including the steps of positioning a template upon an answer sheet, and following a pathway for identifying pairs of responses to a plurality of paired related pairs of questions, and evaluating said pairs of responses to said paired related pairs of questions.

7. (Currently amended) A method as defined in claim 6 wherein including the step of linking said designated pairs of responses along said pathway is comprised of with a continuous line on said template.

8. (New) A method as defined in claim 6 including the step of identifying different designated pairs of responses with different pairs of geometrical shapes on said template.